

# Westfield Parks - Upcoming Improvements

## **Quaker Park (17501 Dartown Road)**

- New trees were planted at Quaker Park along the Midland Trace Trail Fall 2008 and new plantings will be added to the beds in Spring 2009. Park visitors should notice a big improvement in the turf in the spring and summer.
- Spring plans also include installing two benches adjacent to the Splash Park for caregiver's convenience.

## **Simon Moon Park (2710 E. 171<sup>st</sup> Street)**

- The big addition to Simon Moon Park will include a new sledding hill for the snowy season beginning late 2009. The project is under construction now; but will take a full year to complete.
- Plans are also underway to improve the playground surface at the park in 2009, improve the turf and plant additional trees at this site. Simon Moon Park will be the site for the 2009 Arbor Day celebration tentatively set for Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **Asa Bales Park (205 West Hoover Street)**

A hazardous tree assessment has been completed and over Winter 2008 the removal plan will be implemented. Only trees that are diseased or a high risk will be removed. Plans are underway for new garden plantings and specimen trees at Asa Bales Park in Spring 2009. A turf improvement plan is in place and park visitors should notice a big improvement in the turf in the spring and summer.

## **Freedom Trail Park (500 Deer Walk Trace)**

- A hazardous tree assessment has been completed and over Winter 2008 the removal plan will be implemented. Only trees that are diseased or a high risk will be removed. Plans are underway for new plantings in the parking lot beds in Spring 2009. A turf improvement plan is in place and park visitors should notice a big improvement in the turf in the spring and summer.
- We are having on going meetings with stakeholders on the development plan for this park that includes; future on site parking, restroom/concession/storage building plans; playgrounds; a shelter; landscaping and berming and creating a "Friends" group for Freedom Trail Park. These meetings are open meetings and will be posted on the parks website calendar; our next meeting is Wednesday, the 17<sup>th</sup>. The schedule is to have a proposal to take to the Westfield Advisory Plan Commission in February. We may need to continue this one additional month if we can not come to an agreement before January 6<sup>th</sup>, the APC filing deadline.